

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An information recording apparatus includes an energy generation device for generating recording energy; a position control device for controlling a position of irradiation on the recording medium with an output of the energy generation device; a drive device for driving the energy generation device; a switching device for switching information based on user data and test information to supply the two kinds of information selectively to the drive device; a reading device for reading the marks recorded on the recording medium; an evaluation device for evaluating a reproduced signal obtained by the reading device; and a recording condition control device for controlling a recording condition on the basis of an evaluation result obtained by the evaluation device, wherein, when the marks used for recording the test information are to be reproduced, controlling operation of the position control device is changed to be different from that used for recording the test information.

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